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IN RE APPLICATION OF SERIAL NO: 09/618,044

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FOR:

PROCESS FOR THE HYDROGENATION OF ACETONE

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment w/attached marked-up copy in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- □ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- □ Additional documents filed herewith:

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	16	MINUS	20	0	× \$18 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	1	MINUS	3	0	× \$84 =	\$0.00
	□ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS + \$280 =					\$0.00
			TOTAL OF A	BOVE CALCU	JLATIONS	\$0.00
		□ Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity				\$0.00
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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 29, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new Claims 16 and 17 as follows:

--16. (Newly Added) The process as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the liquid-phase hydrogenation reaction is conducted in the presence of a hydrogenation catalyst of copper, chromium, ruthenium or nickel on a Al₂O₃, TiO₂ or ZrO₂ support.

17. (Newly Added) The process as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the liquid-phase hydrogenation reaction is conducted in the presence of a hydrogenation catalyst of a catalytically active metal on a neutral support selected from the group consisting of α -Al₂O₃, TiO₂, ZrO₂ or mullite.--